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Applicants: Shin et al.

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For: PROCESS FOR COUPLING AN ANGIOPLASTY STENT  
TO A CORRESPONDING INSERTION ELEMENT, AND  
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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE**

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed July 31, 2002, the period for response to which has been extended by the enclosed Petition for Extension of Period for Response by three months (from October 31, 2002 to January 31, 2003), please amend the application and enter the remarks as follows.

**IN THE SPECIFICATION**

At page 14, line 9, please replace "Insert" with --Coupling insert--.

At page 14, line 12, please delete "element" and insert therefor --coupling insert--.

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